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BUSTER

BUSTER'S BIG YEAR

EVERY MONDAY

14p

16th MAY, 1981

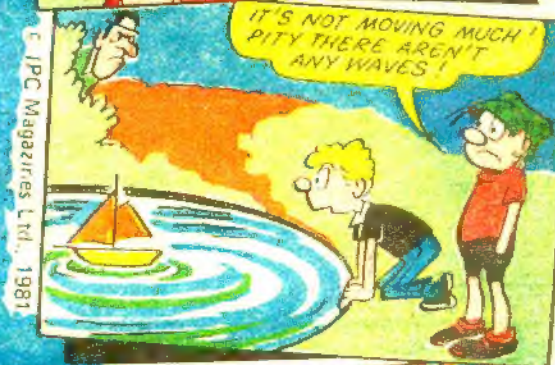
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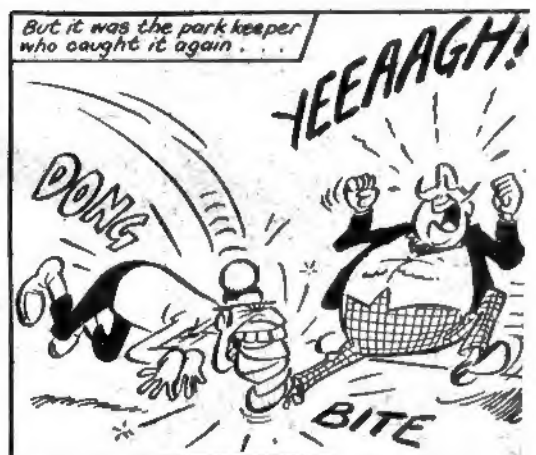
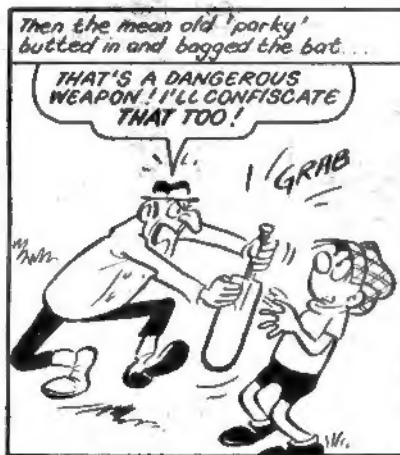
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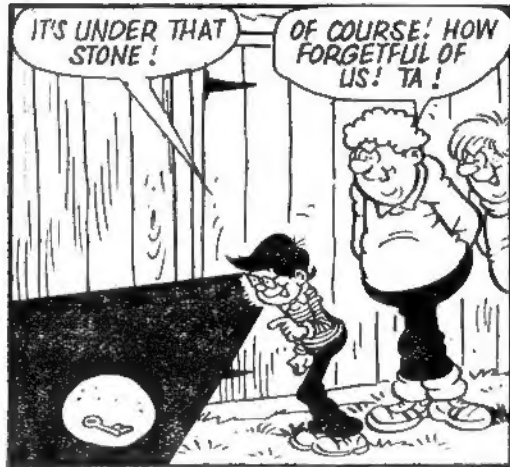
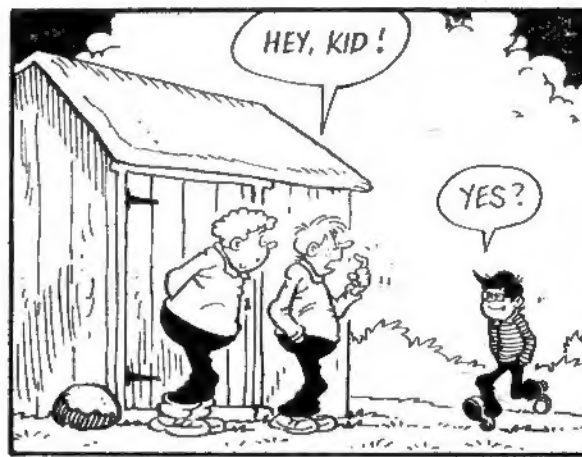
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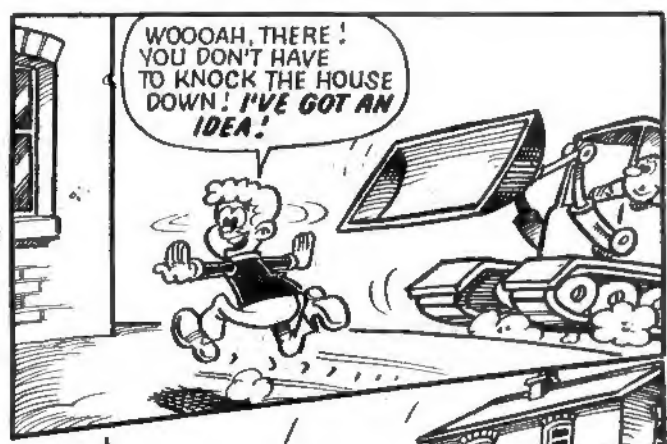
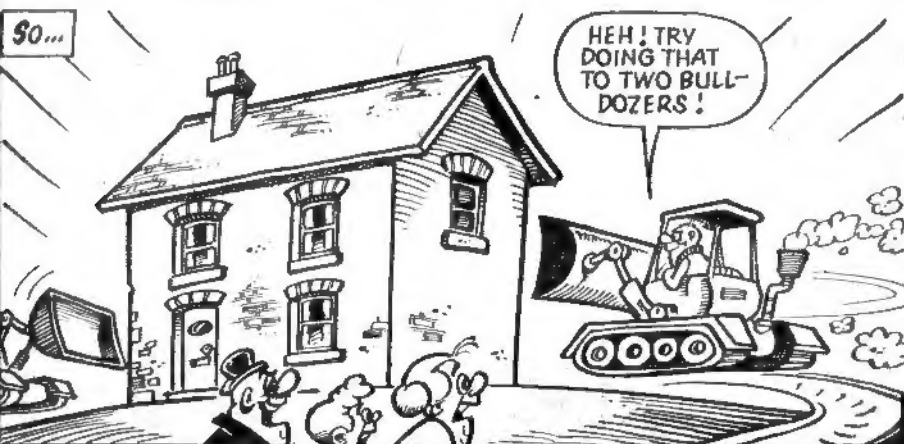
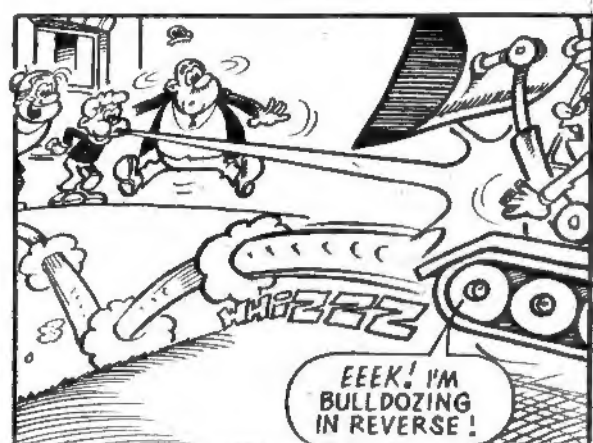
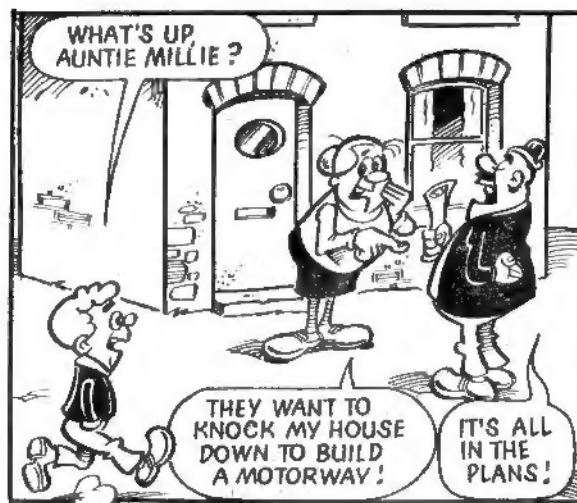
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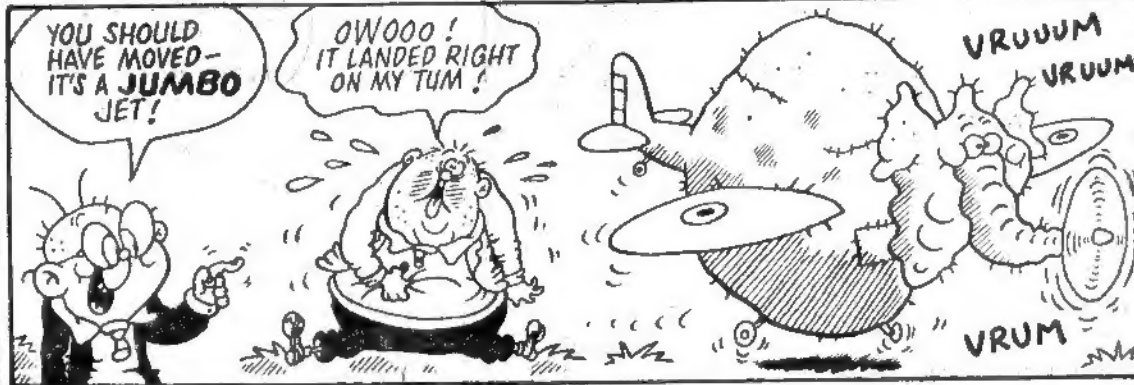
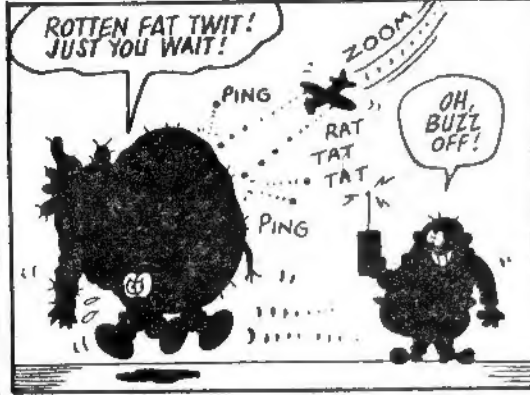
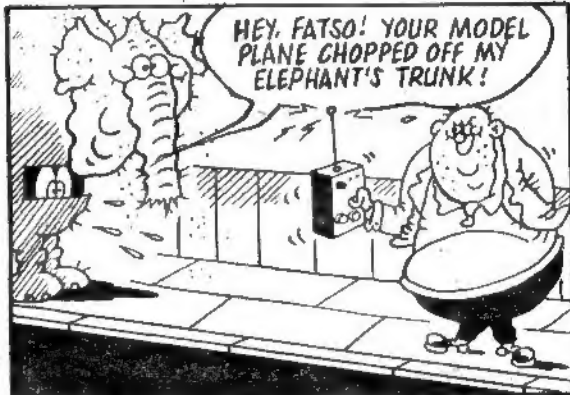
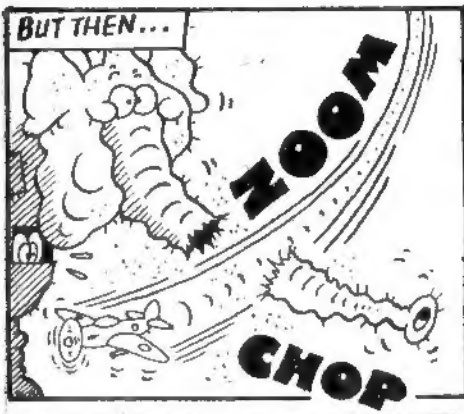
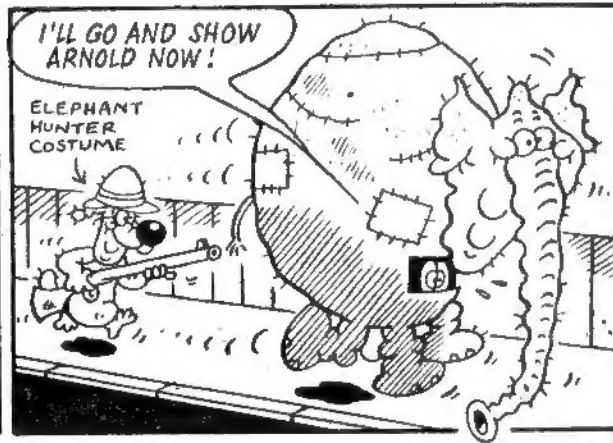
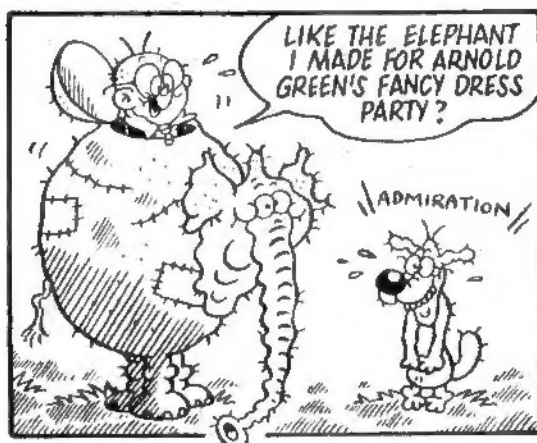
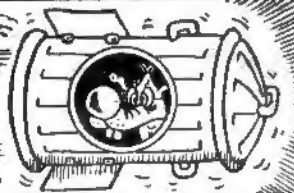


BILLY BLOW



CLEVER DICK

THE DAFT INVENTOR (AND NAPOLEON DOG)



The Leopard from LIME ST.

BILLY FARMER, THE BOY WITH THE POWERS OF A FULLY GROWN LEOPARD, HAD OVERCOME CONRAD KLAWS, THE BIZARRE CROOK WHO HAD BEEN FLOODING THE COUNTRY WITH CHEAP AND DANGEROUS LEOPARDMAN TOYS. NOW, FOLLOWING THE MOST EXHAUSTING NIGHT OF HIS AMAZING LIFE...

BILLY! FOR THE LAST TIME— WILL YOU GET OUT OF THAT BED?

HHNNNN!
WHERE...
AM I...?

BILLY!

G-GOSH!
I WAS SO WHACKED WHEN I GOT HOME LAST NIGHT, I JUST CRAWLED INTO THE TREE OUTSIDE MY BEDROOM WINDOW, AND FELL ASLEEP...

...LIKE A REAL LEOPARD!
BETTER USE MY SUPER-SPEED TO CHANGE BACK INTO BILLY FARMER!

BLAM
BANG

OPEN THIS DOOR, BILLY!
BIL-LYYYY!

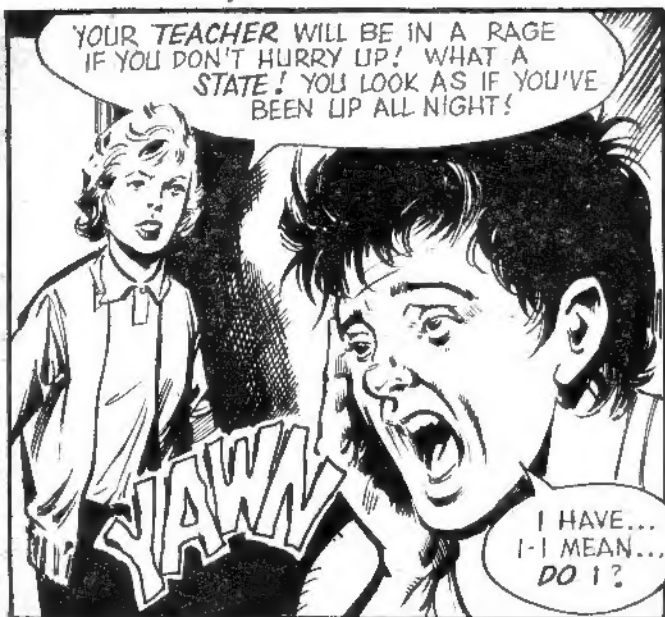
A MOMENT LATER,
AS BILLY OPENED THE DOOR TO HIS CRIPPLED GUARDIAN, JOAN FARMER...

'MORNIN',
AUNTY JOAN!

I SHOULD THINK SO!
IT'S NEARLY HALF-PAST EIGHT! I'VE BEEN KNOCKING ON THIS DOOR FOR THE LAST TEN MINUTES!

WHY ON EARTH DO YOU KEEP IT LOCKED AT NIGHT, ANYWAY?

ER, FORCE OF HABIT, I GUESS!
YAWWWN! I'M SO USED TO LOCKING MYSELF IN WHEN UNCLE CHARLIE FLIES INTO ONE OF HIS RAGES!



NO HARM IN A **LEOPARDMAN T-SHIRT**,
THOUGH...



HEE-HEE!
I'M BEGINNING
TO **LIKE** THE IDEA
OF HAVING A
RANGE OF TOYS
NAMED AFTER
ME!

THEN BILLY THOUGHT OF THE DEADLIEST 'TOY'
OF ALL!

THE **LEOPARDMAN
ROBOT!** IT WENT OUT OF CONTROL
AND ESCAPED INTO THE COUNTRYSIDE
DURING OUR FINAL BATTLE...



TWIT! YOU SLOGGED
IT TOO HARD!

THE BALL'S SAILING
OUT INTO THE STREET!



IF THE POLICE
HAVEN'T ROUNDED
IT UP IN THE NEXT DAY
OR TWO, I'LL HAVE TO
TRY AND TRACK IT
DOWN MYSELF!



FORGETTING
THAT HIS
AMAZING
POWERS WERE
SUPPOSED TO
BE A SECRET,
BILLY
CATAPULTED
INTO THE
AIR!

SUFFERING
STARS! WH-WHAT
A **CATCH!**

HUZZAAAAT?



THE BALL REBOUNDED
LIKE A ROCKET FROM
THE WEIGHTED WOODEN
BASE OF THE WICKET...

NOT IF
I CAN
HELP
IT...

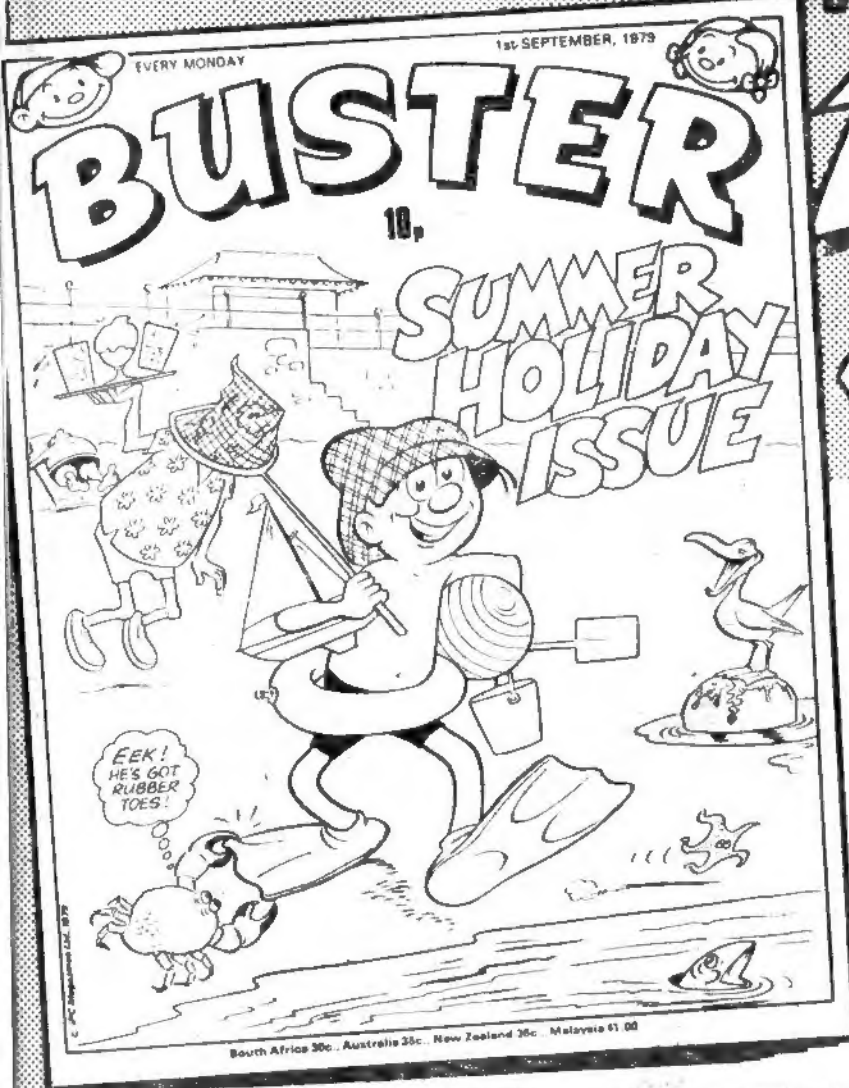
... AND LASHED
ACROSS THE
PLAYGROUND!

... AND
WHAT A
THROW!



IT'S FLATTENED
THE NEW TEACHER!
FARMER'S FOR IT NOW!

Next issue: a teacher hands Billy a sporting surprise!



OUR VINTAGE YEARS...

1979



ANOTHER COVER FROM THE 70's

WE'RE 21 THIS YEAR!

This week's BUSTER cover is from 1979 – not so long ago. Here are a few of the notable events of that year...

- Arsenal won the F.A. Cup, beating Manchester United 3–2. The "Gunnners" outgunned United with a last minute goal by Alan Sutherland.
- Mrs. Margaret Thatcher became Britain's first woman Prime Minister when the Conservative Party won the General Election in May.
- In June of that year, Dr. Paul McCready made the first man-powered flight across the English Channel. He achieved the 2hrs 49 mins 'channel hop' in a lightweight flying machine named Gossamer Albatross – a superhuman effort.
- Another superhuman... Superman! A movie with this title was the big film of 1979. Did you see it?



THERE'S A BUSTER COVER FROM 1980 NEXT ISSUE!



We're nearly there, pals!

10, 9, 8, 7, 6 . . . it's countdown time to the wonderful May 30th BUSTER Birthday Issue that's coming your way soon . . . with a great Free Gift. Read ALL the news about the Birthday BUSTER next week!

The quest to find BUSTER'S CHAMPION READER is almost over. Don't send any more claims, pals. Hundreds of I-am-the-Champ letters have been pouring into the BUSTER office, and more about this special feature later on!



AS A REWARD FOR RESCUING ME LAST WEEK, I PROMISED BONES THAT HE COULD TAKE OVER MY COMIC STRIP FOR A DAY!

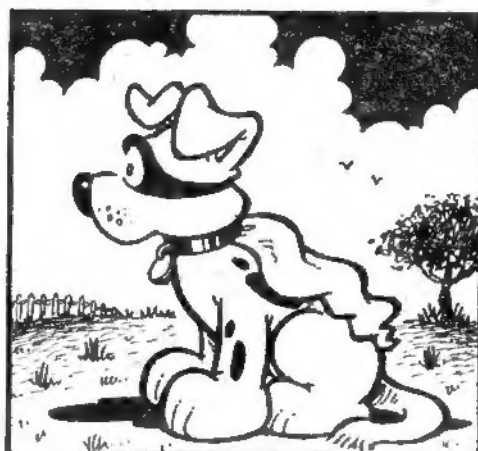


BONES THE WONDER DOG!

I'VE NEVER HAD A COMIC STRIP OF MY OWN BEFORE!



I WONDER HOW LONG IT WILL BE BEFORE SOMETHING EXCITING HAPPENS?



OH, THIS IS LUDICROUS!

YOU'D HAVE THOUGHT THAT SOME SORT OF FIENDISH SUPER-VILLAIN WOULD HAVE COME ALONG BY NOW!



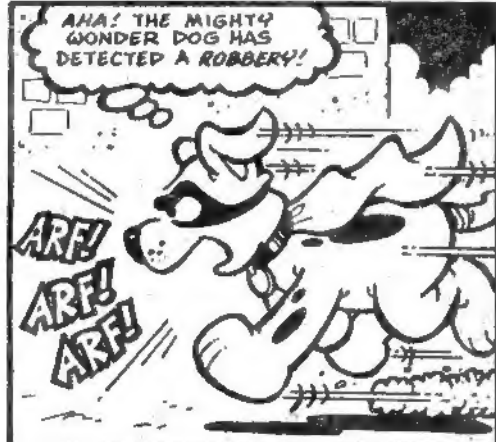
MAYBE I'M SUPPOSED TO GO AND LOOK FOR AN ADVENTURE.



ALL RIGHT, STICK 'EM UP!



AHA! THE MIGHTY WONDER DOG HAS DETECTED A ROBBERY!



I HEARD WHAT I SAID -- I'M MOVING WITH THOSE OTHERS! STICK 'EM UP ON THE WALL!

DON'T MISS **BUSTER** BIRTHDAY ISSUE - ON SALE SOON!

THE MIGHTY WONDER DOG BEGINS TO FEEL A LITTLE SILLY!

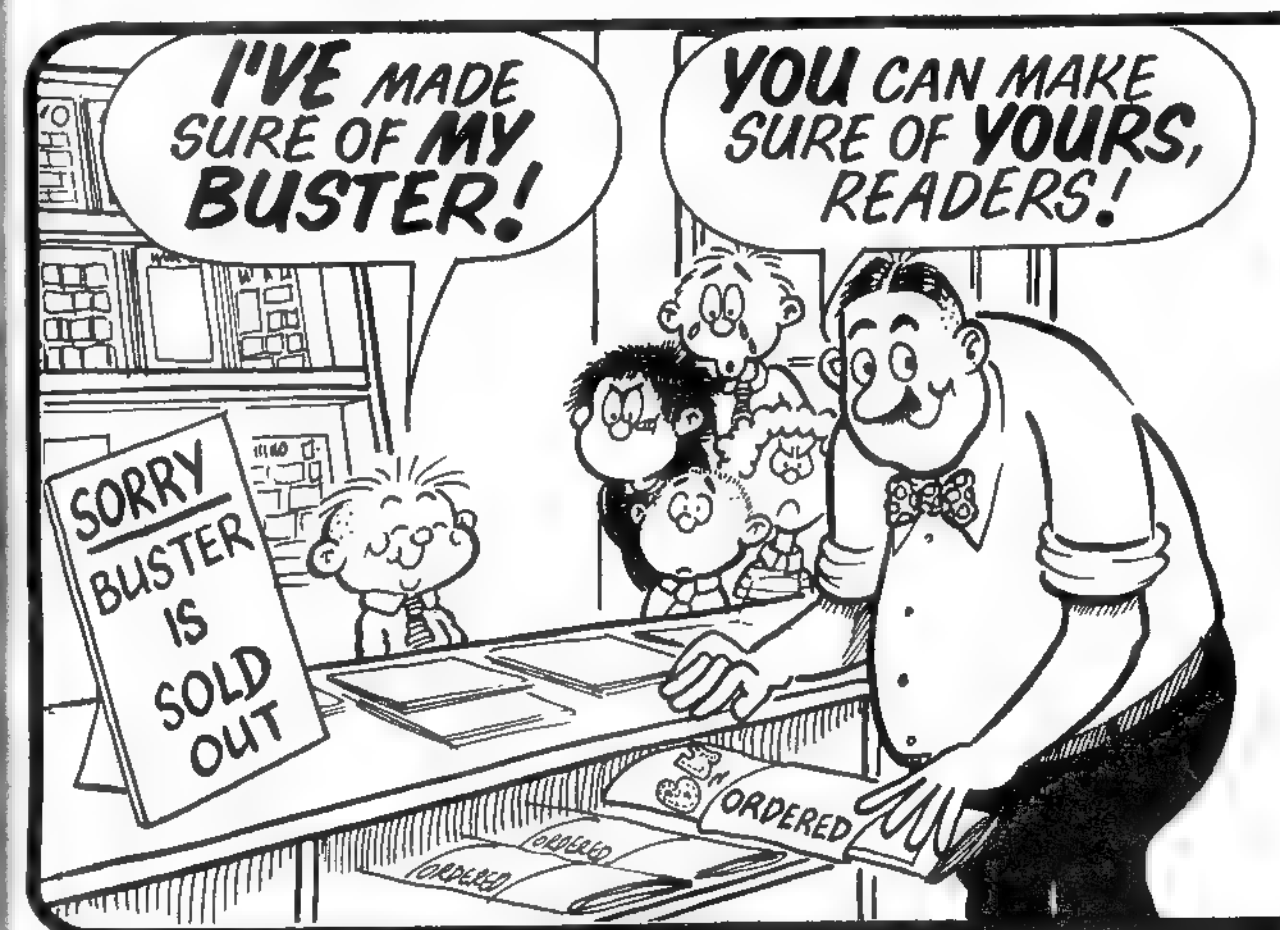
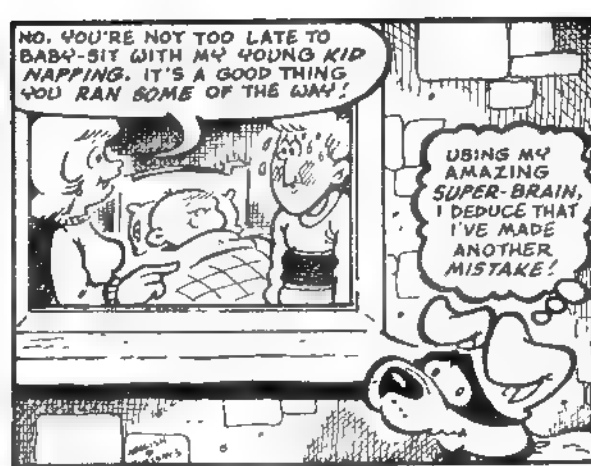
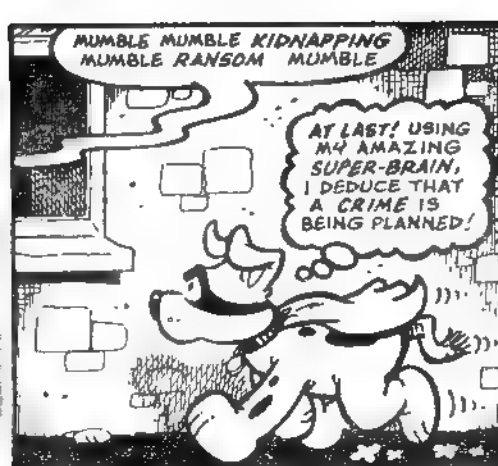


DID YOU GET THE LOOT?



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TO THE NEWSAGENT:

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Name

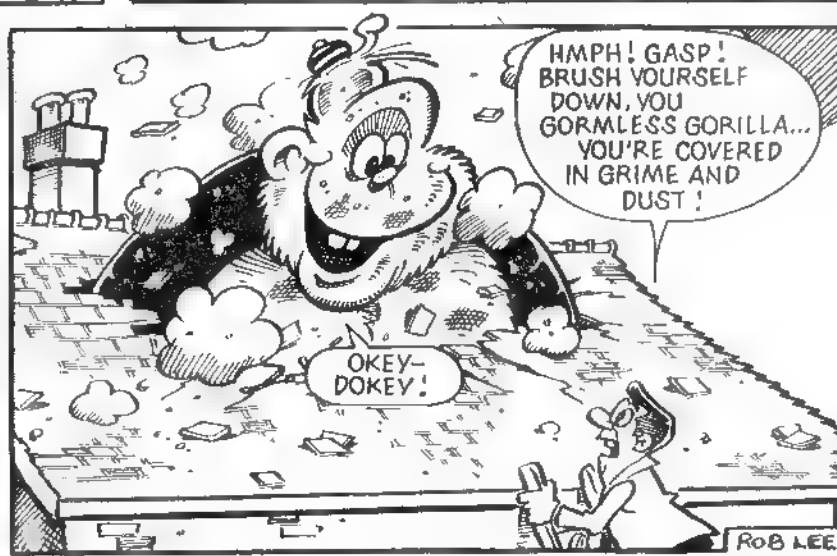
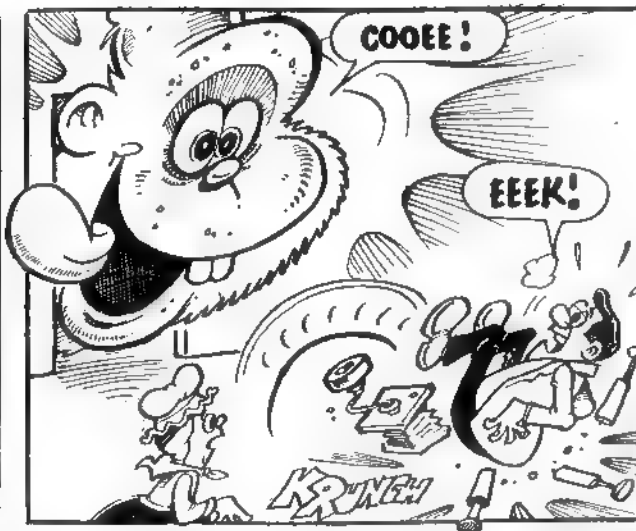
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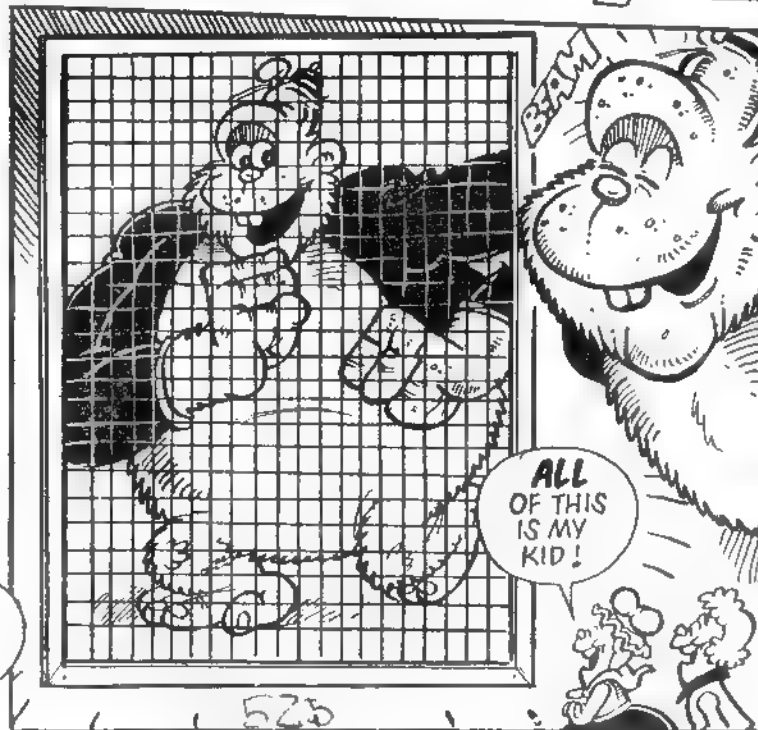
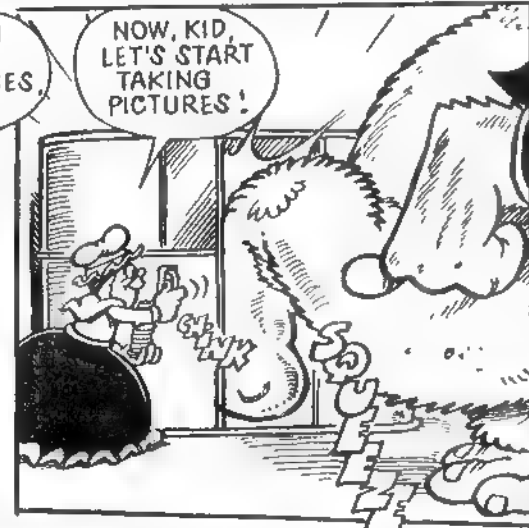
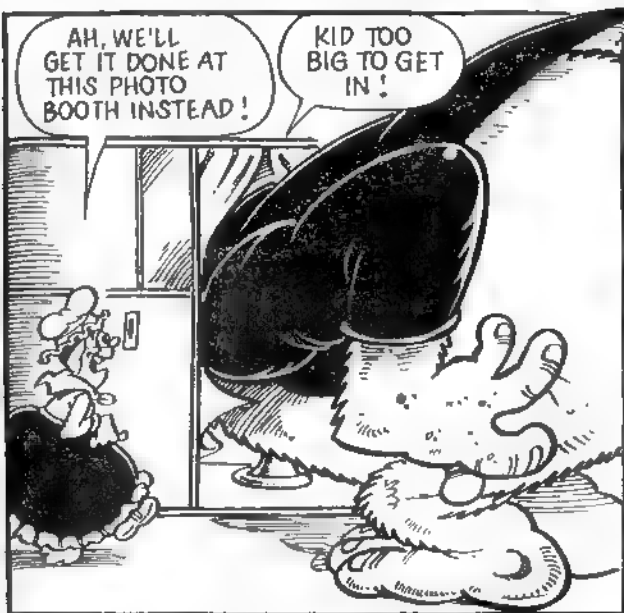
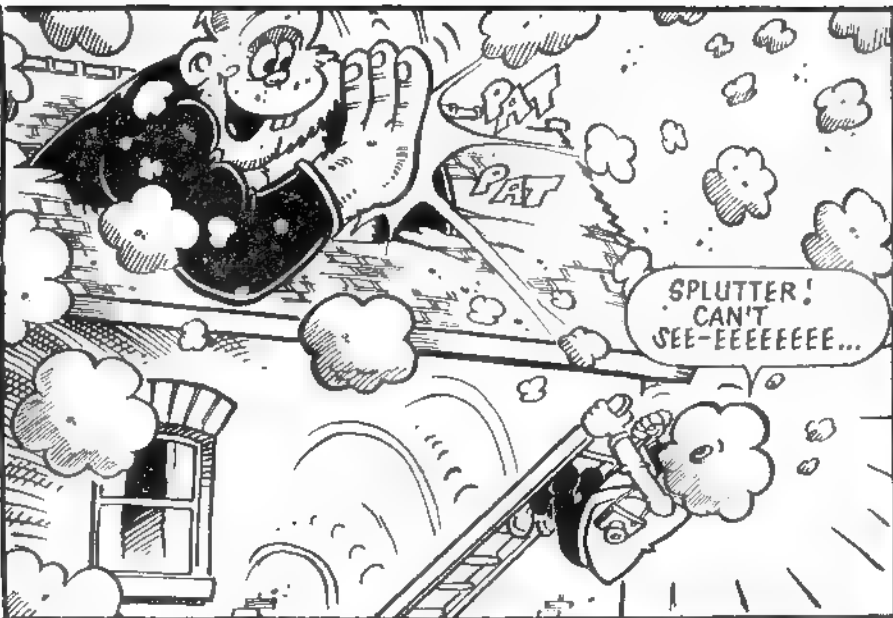
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Signature of Parent or Guardian:

KID KONG





ALL HUMANS TALL and SMALL



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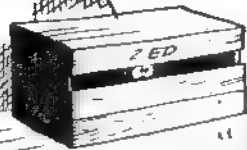
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S.O.S. SQUAD

S.O.S. FROM AN
ARNOLD KNEEBRACE—
HIS HAMSTER HAS
ESCAPED!

POOR KID—
I KNOW HOW
HE FEELS!



WE'RE LOOKING FOR
A KID NAMED ARNOLD KNEE-
BRACE... HE WANTS US TO
FIND HIS LOST HAMSTER!

I'M ARNOLD
KNEEBRACE—
PROFESSOR
KNEEBRACE,
ACTUALLY...

...AND IT'S NO
ORDINARY HAMSTER!
I GAVE IT SOME OF MY
EXPERIMENTAL FORMULA
—AND IT WAS SIX FEET
HIGH LAST TIME I
SAW IT!

GET TRACKING,
BUNDLE—A GIANT
HAMSTER SHOULDN'T
BE HARD TO FIND!

I THOUGHT YOU SAID IT
WAS ONLY SIX FEET HIGH?

MY
FORMULA
MUST BE
MORE
POTENT
THAN I
THOUGHT!

MUNCH
CHOMP

CAPTURING A GIANT
HAMSTER WON'T BE
EASY—LET'S GET
SOME EXPERT
ADVICE—

WELL, THEY DO
LIKE RUNNING
INSIDE THESE LITTLE
EXERCISE WHEELS
LIKE THE ONE IN
THIS CAGE!

WE'LL TAKE
IT!

WE'LL HAVE A JOB
GETTING A 30 FOOT
HAMSTER INTO THAT,
WON'T WE?

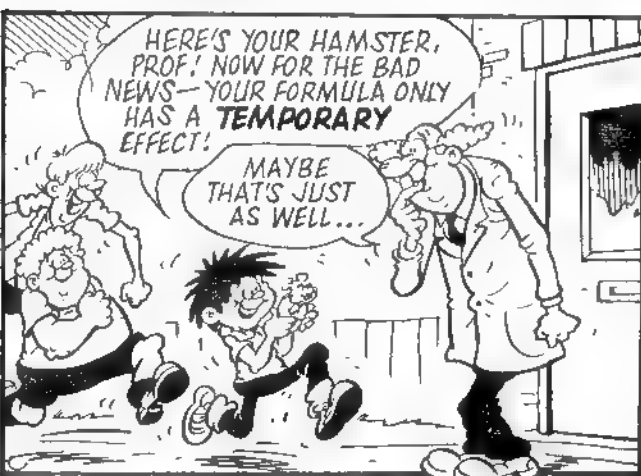
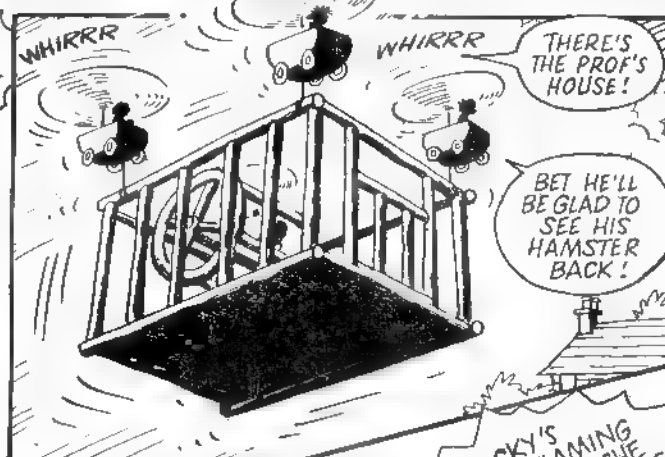
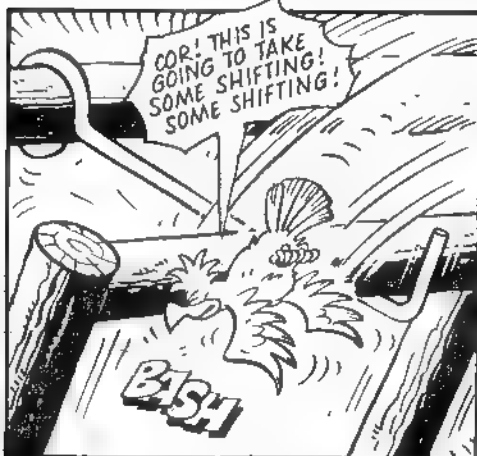
WE'LL USE
THIS AS A MODEL
TO BUILD ONE
HIS SIZE!

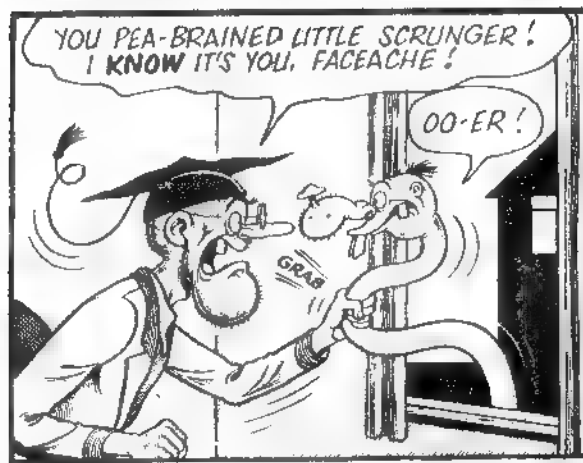
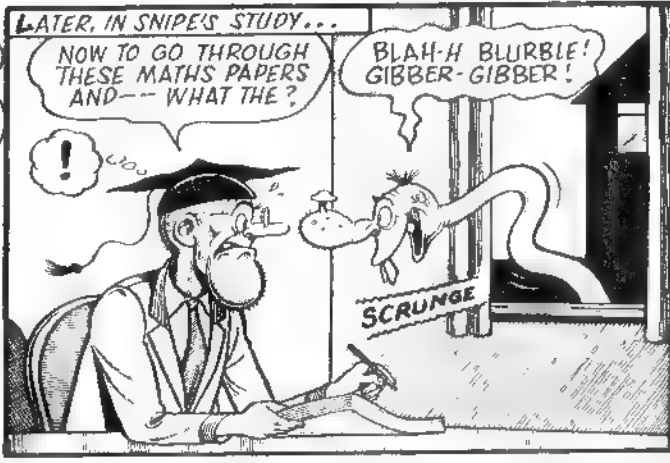
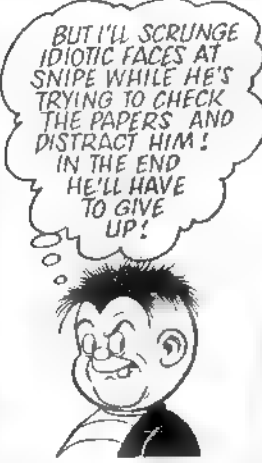
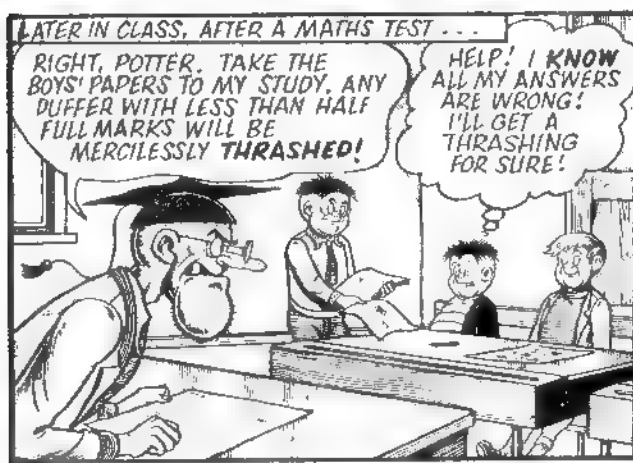
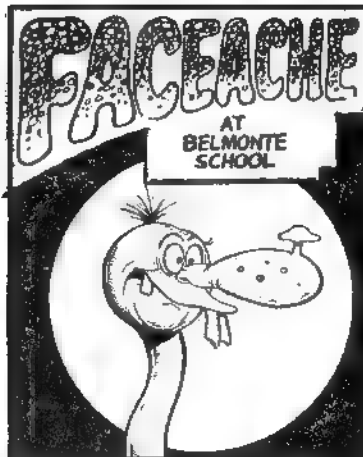
MY—THAT
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WORK!

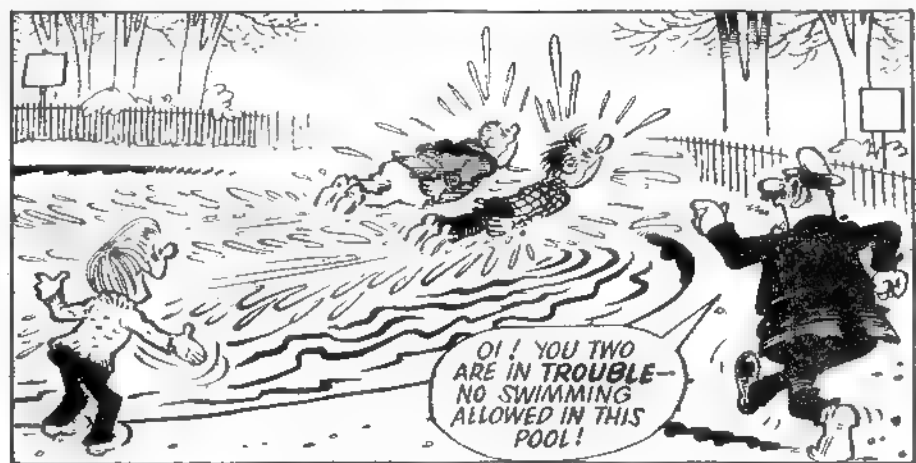
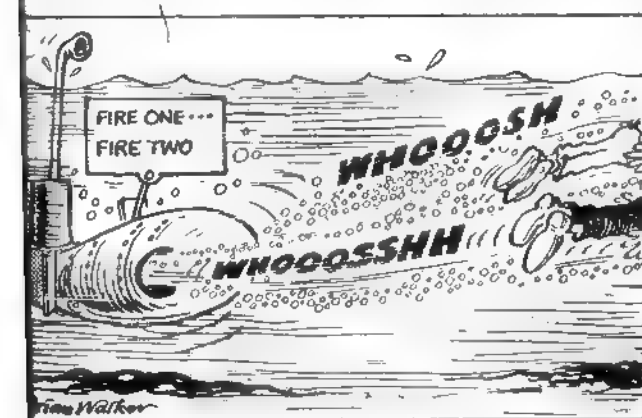
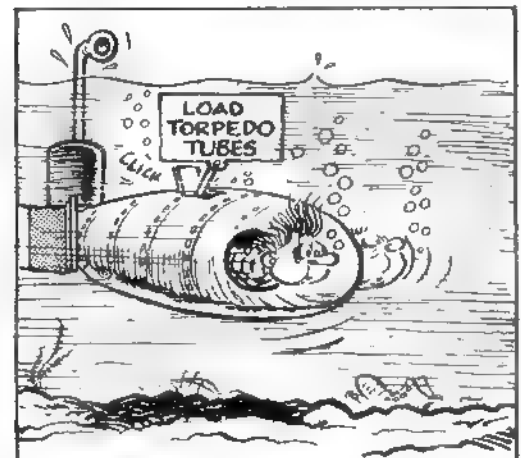
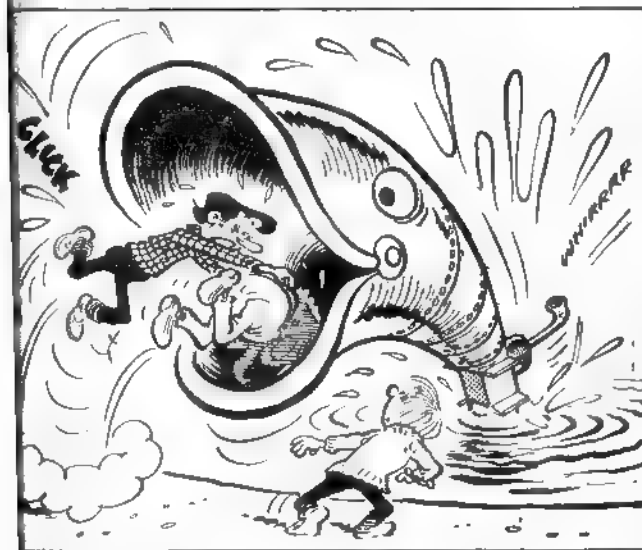
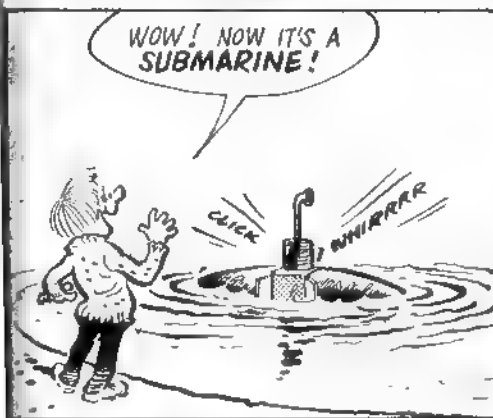
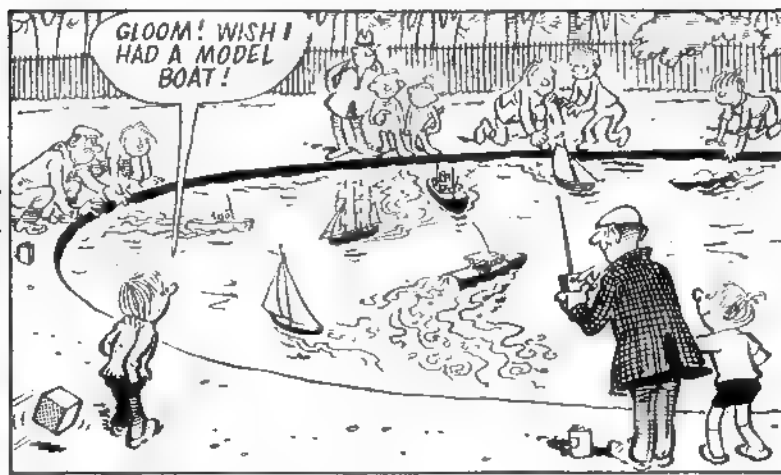
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IS—WHAT DO WE
USE FOR BAIT?

ER... ER...

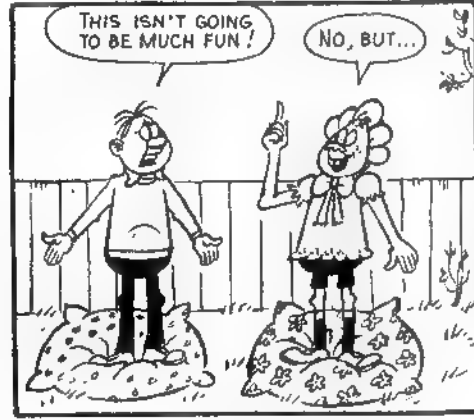
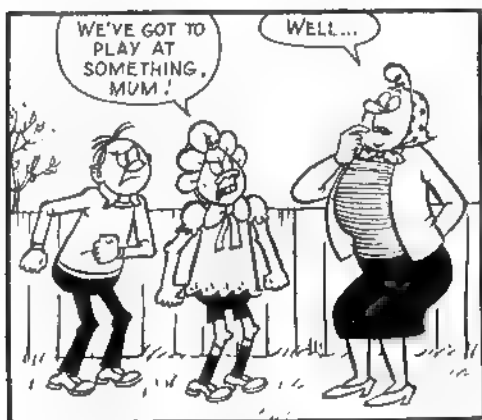
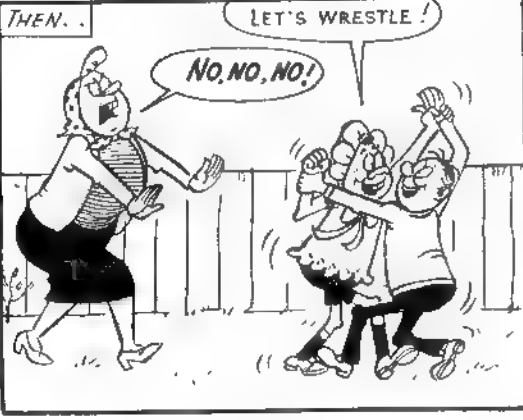
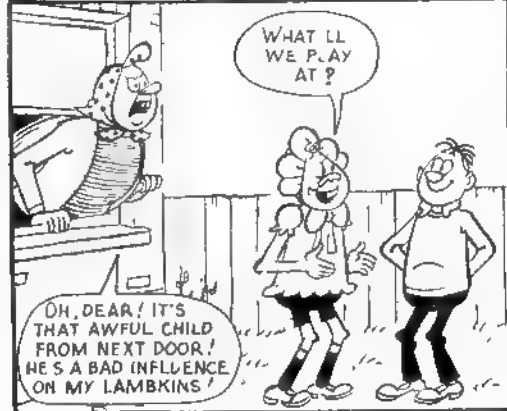
ER... I
THINK THE
PROBLEM
SOLVED
GANG

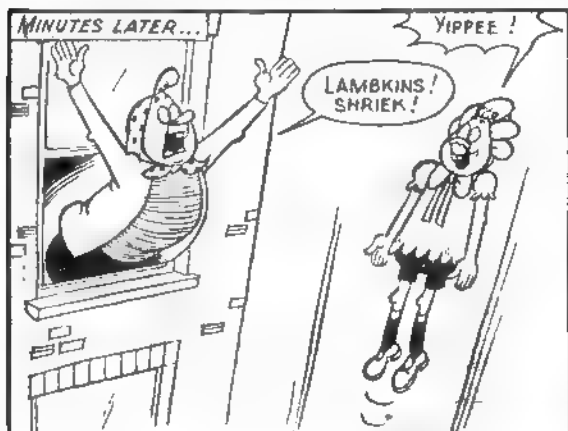
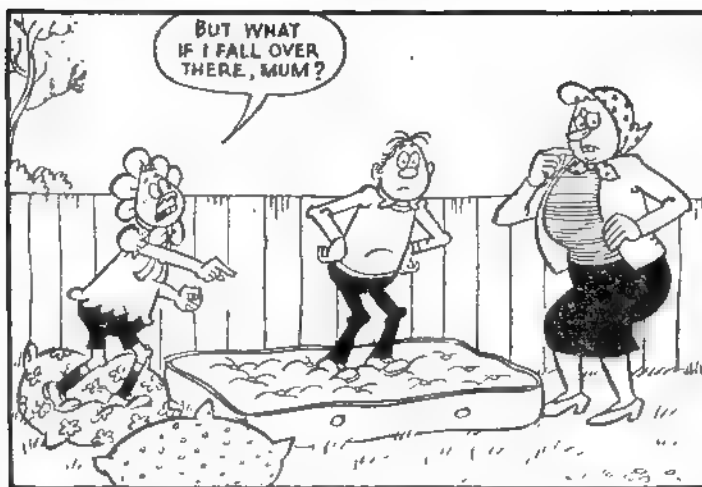






MUMMY'S BOY





Fun in the sun with...

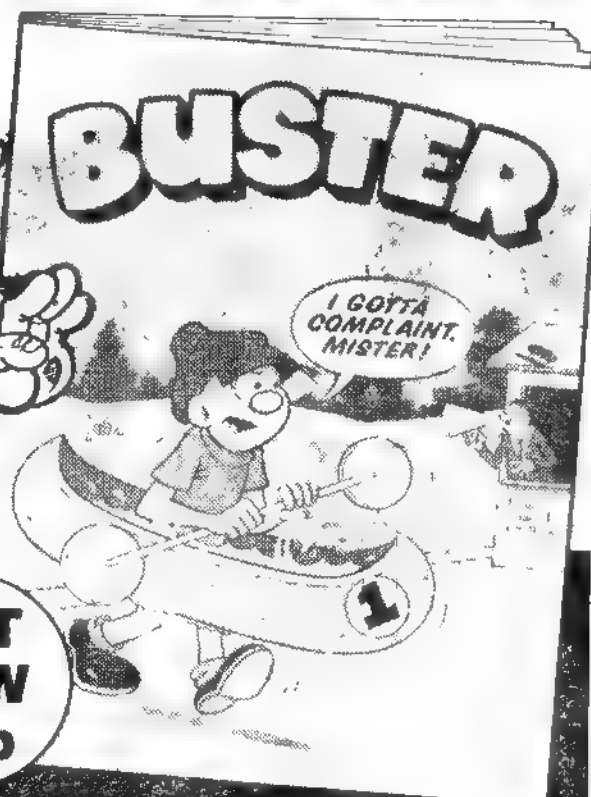
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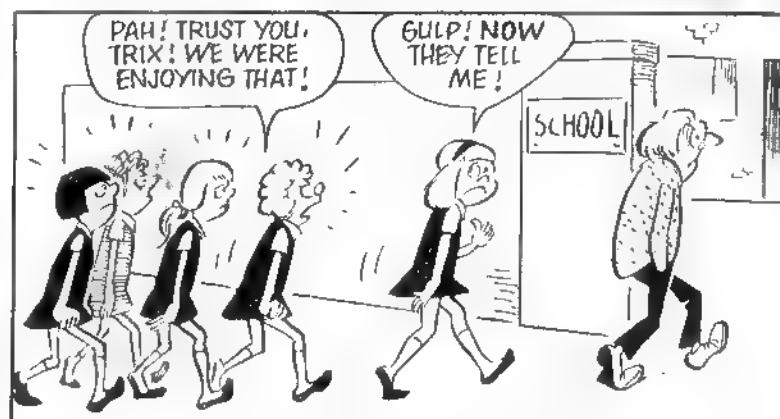
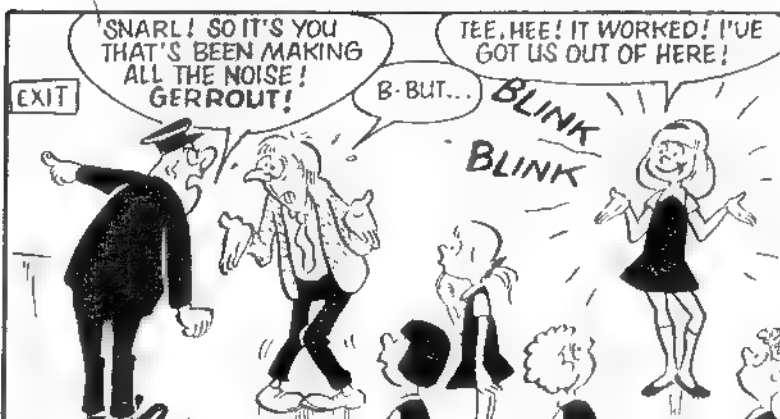
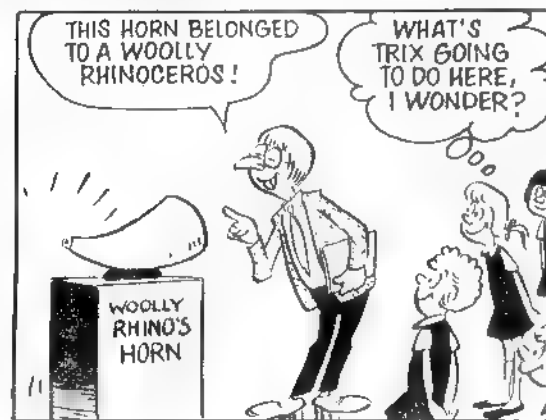
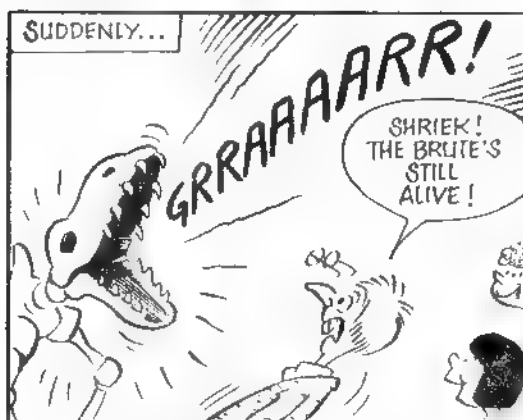
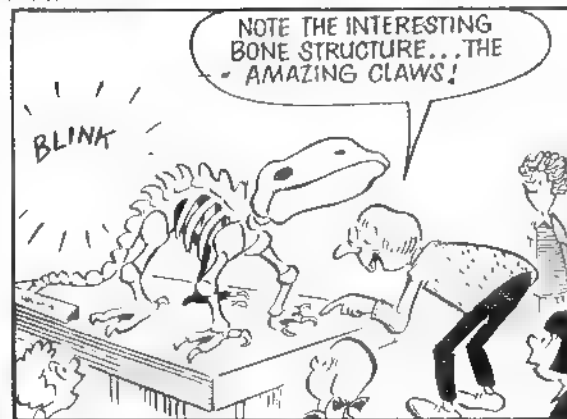
Now
you
see
me...

Disappearing

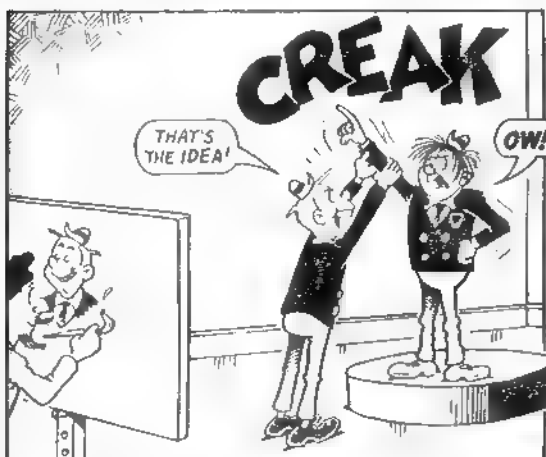
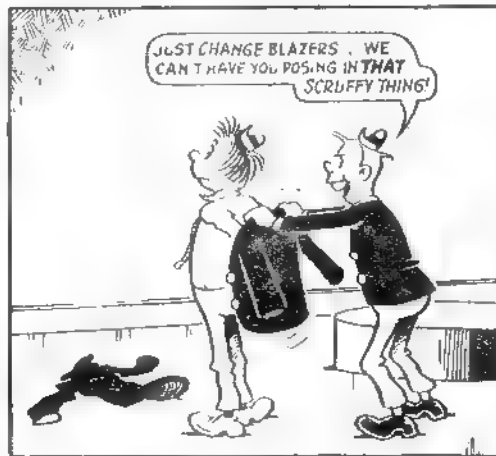
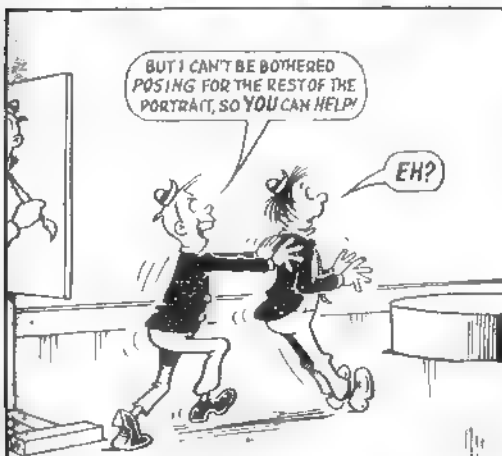
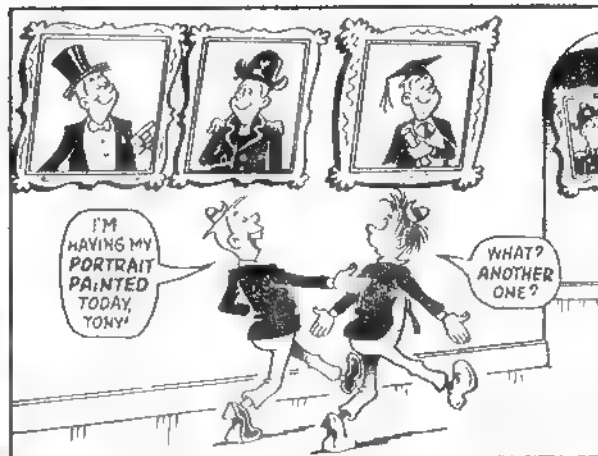
TRIX

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Now
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don't



IVOR LOTT *and* TONY ABROKE



FUN SPOT

NAN'S LIMERICK

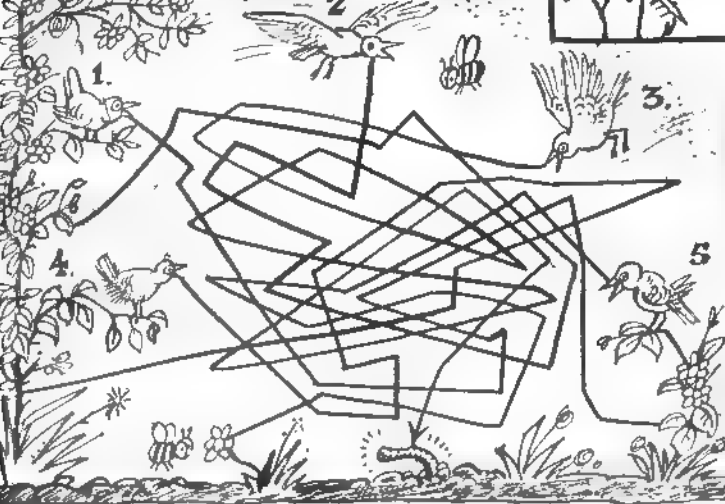
There was once a man
from Nantucket.
Who kept all his cash in a bucket,
But his daughter named Nan
Ran off with a man,
And as for the bucket,
NANTUCKET!

Shadow Shape!

Indian Chief



Which bird gets the worm?

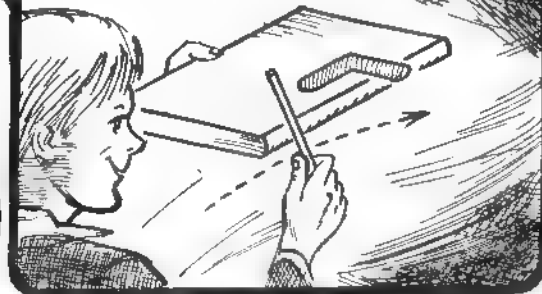


MAKE A BOOMERANG

Cut it out from a piece of card so the two sides are exactly the same



* Project it as shown here and watch it return to you



Nutty Notice!

Unscramble the letters to discover this message.



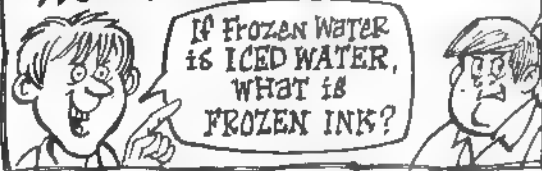
WORD SQUARE!

Fill in the letters so the words in the square read the same across and down.

DLLD
EGM
EEN

	A		
A		E	
		A	
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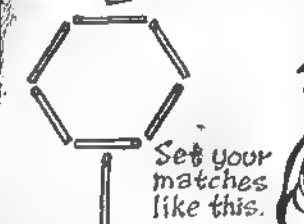
ASK YOUR PAL!



How many...

- ...notes in an octave?
 - ...Buns in a BAKERS DOZEN?
 - ...Cents in A DOLLAR?
 - ...Players in a DOUBLES MATCH?
 - ...TENS IN A SCORE?
- ...AND BEES ON THIS PAGE?

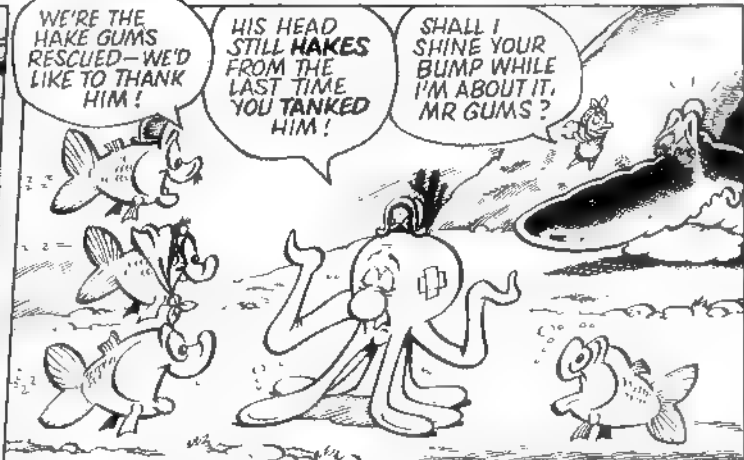
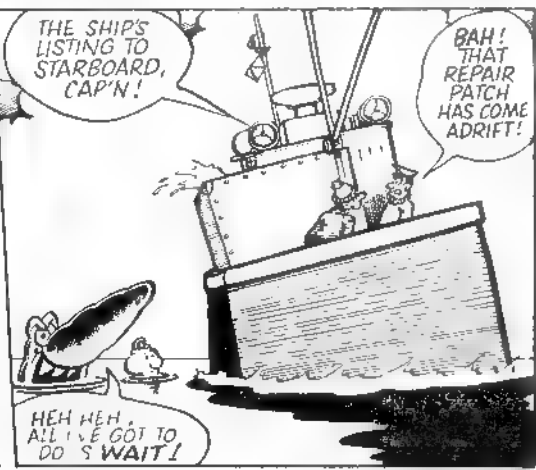
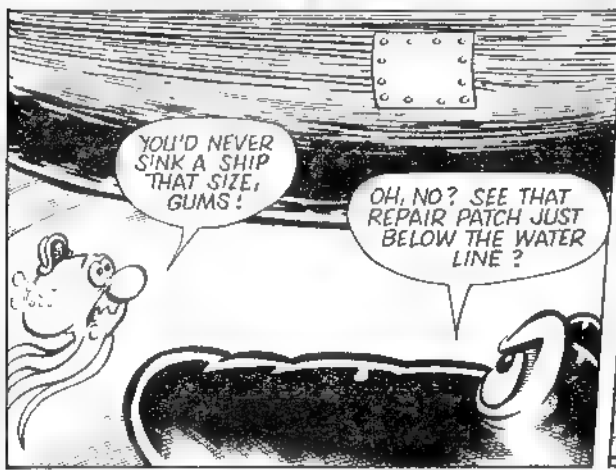
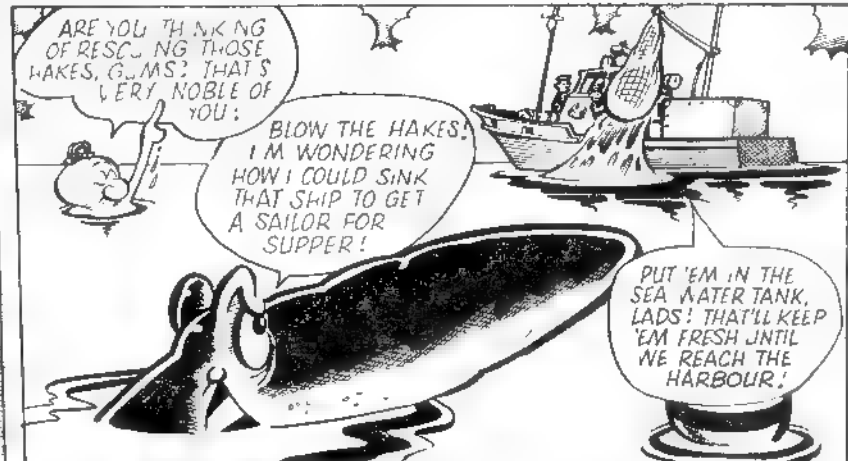
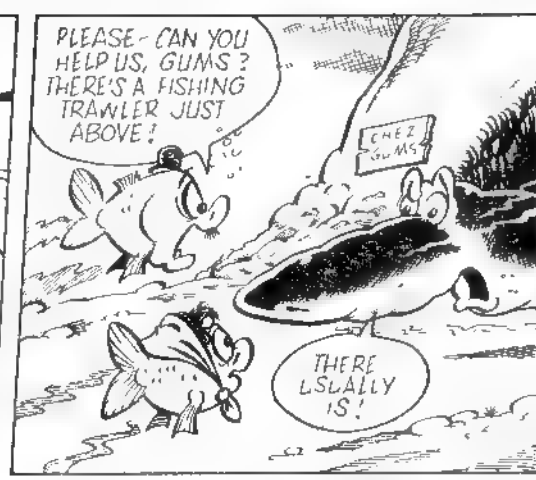
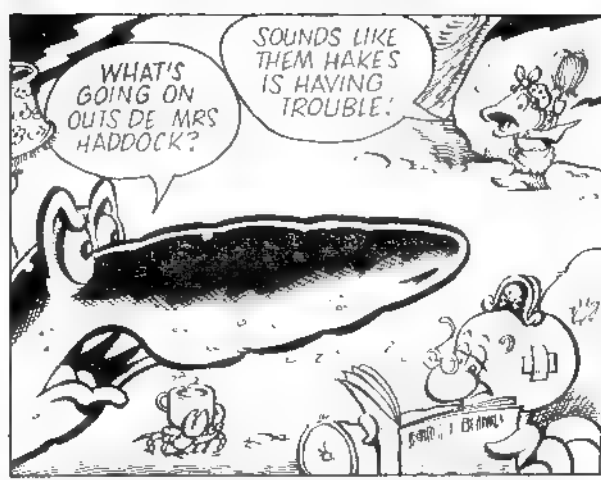
MATCH FUN!



ANSWERS

- POLICE TO MEET YOU.
- GALE, AMEN, LEAD, ENDS.
- 1-8, 2-18, 3-100
- 4-4, 5-2.
- BEES - 22 (including 5, 5, 5)

GUMS



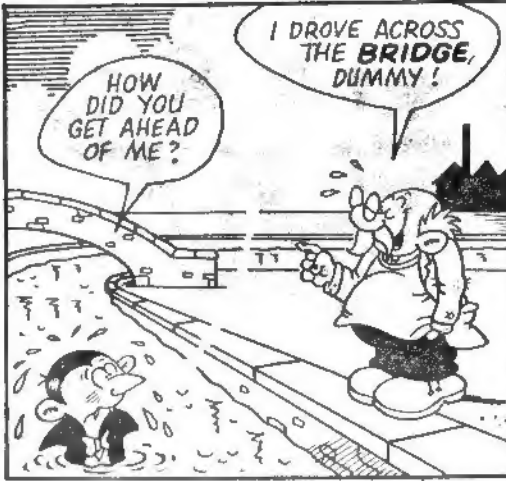
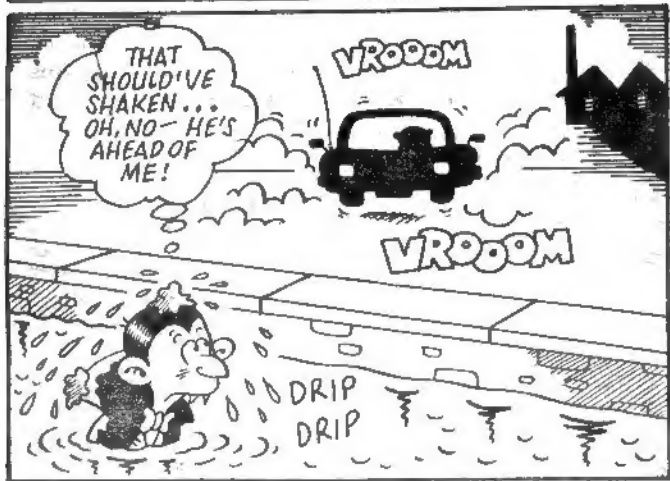
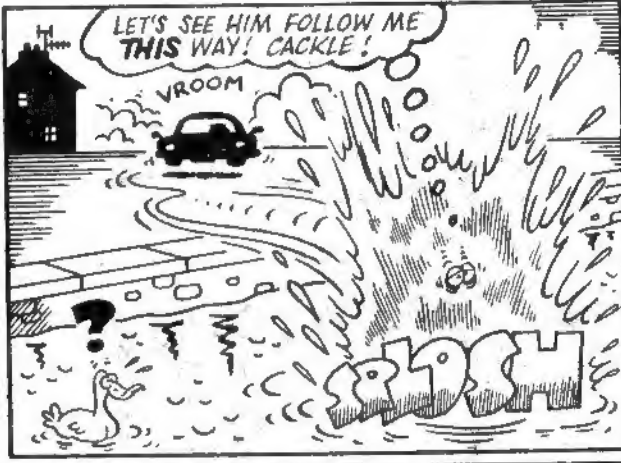
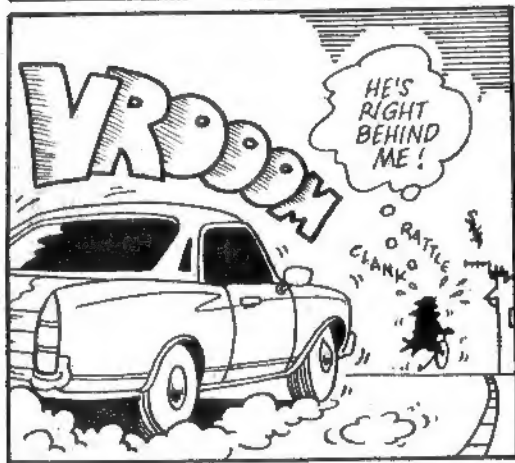
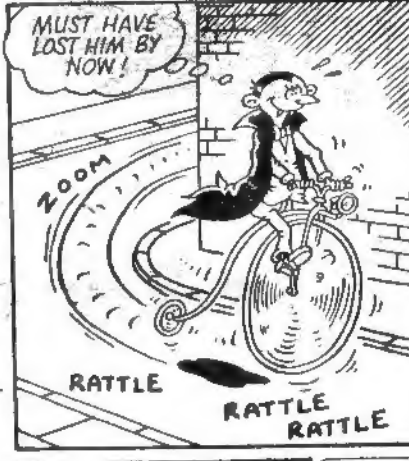
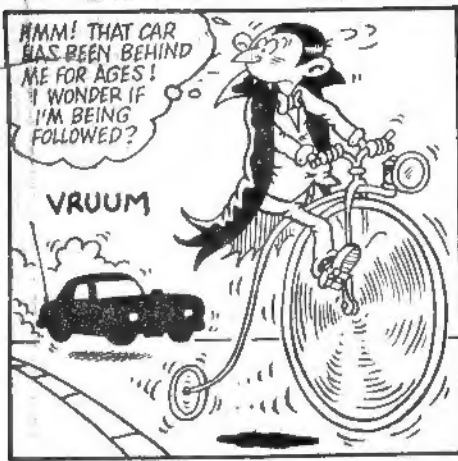
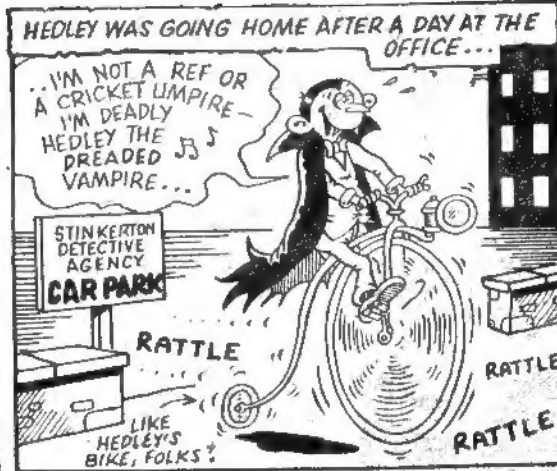
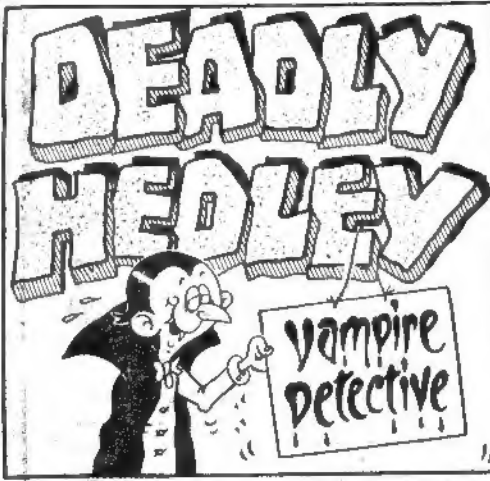
BARRY and BOING

ORPHAN BARRY BATES WAS HELPING A SPRING-BUILT ROBOT CALLED BOING TO ESCAPE FROM HIS CRUEL ALIEN MASTERS. ONE EVENING, WHILE PASSING THROUGH A TOWN, BOING SAW LOTS OF PEOPLE STANDING PATIENTLY IN A QUEUE...





Next issue: don't miss the metal monster from Mars, B&B fans!



CHALKY

